VISIT PRESIDENT

DELEGATION LOOKING TO PRO-TECTION OF INDIANS' RIGHTS

TO EMBODY PRESENT PROTECTIVE LAWS

Prospective Amalgamation of Two Territories Causes Friends of Indians to Go to Washington-President Promises to Discuss Matter In Message.

Delegation Calis on President Rela-

tive to Rights of Indians WASHINGTON: The president bad a conference today with Colonel A. S. McKenyon and Grant Evans, both of Indian Territory. They were introduced by Merrill Edwa ds Getes of the Dawes Indian commission. Colonel McKenyon, who was formerly a member of the Dawes commission himself, and Mr. Evans president of the Grant Kendall college of In ian Territory, have been sent to Washington by various interests of the territory to guard and protect the rights of the Indians of the territory in connection with the prospective almaigamation of the territory with Oklahoma as one state.

It was represented to the president by the visitors that the interests of the Indians could be best safeguarded provide that all laws now on the funds Paule Vel'av, 1 ind av new state. It is apprehended that Ok- ignated for the payment. lahoma by reason of its voting strength will obtain control and domination of Indian Territory, and to this extent will affect the rights and Homer issued an order in the federal interests of the Indians in the newly created state.

nual message.

RIOT, NOT ROBBERY

Knife and Gets Jailed

MUSKOGEE: An unusual case, in which the acts of one man were con- by the interstate commerce commisstrucd under the laws of Arkansas to sion shows that the total number of constitute riot, was disposed of in casualties to persons on railroads in Leekley's

met an al'eged debtor, and, failing to get his pay by peaceable means, is The total number of collisions and desaid to have pressed a long knife to railments was 17,291 involving \$9,his throat and frightened him into 383 977 of damage to cars, engines giving over all the money in his

Vann was arrested on a warrant charging him with robbery, but Judge Leekley found that the offense did not constitute robbery under the Arkansas statute, as Vann was tryjudge then dug up the old statute on pleaded guilty and is now serving a a fine of \$25 was impo et upon bim. .. rd teredoi-po*.vcol.tbopshrdlus

PER CAPITA PAYMENTS

Distribution of Townsite Funds Has Begun at Ardmore

ARDMORE: The Indian agents' force reached Ardmore and began the per capita payment of \$40 to the Chick-asaw Indian. The payment is made out of the funds ar'sing from the sale of the townsites of the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations. The entire payment aggregates over a quarter of a million dollars. It was annuonced that "hoctaw Indians residing in this naby having the bill creating statebood tion could draw their share of the statute books applying to the rights Chickasha, Marietta and Colbert, in of Indians shall become laws in the the order named, are the towns des-

Ordered to Take \$78,000.

GUTHRIE: Associate Justice court here authorizing Receiver J. A. Willoughby of the Captiol National The president requested the call- bank here to accept the compromise ers to present their views in writing, offer of \$78,000 made by Dr. A. J. and intimated that the quest'on of Brower of Utica N. Y., representing statebood for these two terrilories the amount for which Brower is liable would be discussed by him in his an- over and above the amount of his stock in the defunct bank.

MERCHANTS WILL FIGHT TRIBAL TAX DECISION

at South McAlester in regard to tribal on all goods purchased during the tax, and many of them say they will year. and does a big business the payment them.

business men of Muskogee are con-hundreds of dollars. Not only on the tion revealed the "dummy" system. siderably worked up over the decision stock he has on the first of the year, of the court of appeals handed down but the merc'ant must pay the tax

When it is considered that the busta'e it to the court of 'ast resort be- iness men have not been called unon fore they will pay it. The amout of to pay this tax for several years, and money that can be collicted if the de that if it is enforced now they will cision at ada is enormous. The tax is have to pay the back toxes as will on h if of one per cent, and where a it can readily be seen that it would merchant has a big stock of goods mann a small fortune to some of

OPEN SEASON ANNOUNCED

GUTHRIE: Henry Perry, territorbecause r " Texas fever infection, and of Cordell.

federal and territorial inspectors.

RAT BISCUIT KILLED HIM

Santiary Board Fixes Dates From Frisco Agent at Poteau, I. T., Thought They Were Crac

SOUTH McALESTER: A telegram tal cettle inspector, returned from from Potesu announced the do th of Washita county, where he plac'd James Lord, the Frisco agent, under mother receives \$200; after the nineeight herds of cattle under quarantine greuliar circumstances. A consignment of crackers was received there gave orders to the owners thereof to by freight and the corner of the bot | \$500. It is slipulated, however, that clean up the pastures. The special tom of one box was broken off, spillquarantines cover two and one-fourth ing some of the crackers on the floor. sections of land, all within nine miles Mr. Lord ate one of the crackers and was thown into a spasm. He ded be-The territorial live stock santiary fore physicians could arrive. An inboard issued its annual proclamation, vest gation showed that the crackers declaring the open season to com- had been prepared as rat exterminmence on November 1 and continu- ators. The pasteboard box in which ing until January 1, 1905. During this the crackers had been placed had been season there may be an interstate marked polson, but there was no movement of cattle to and from Ok- mark on the individual crackers to lahoma, with the proper inspection by distinguish them from the ordinary

INCREASE IN CASUALTIES

Man Attempts to Collect Bill With a Danger of Railroad Travel Has Been Termed Alarming

WASHINGTON: A report issued commissioner's the United States during the fiscal year ending June 20, 1905, was 55,120, About two years ago Reed Vann comprising 3,797 killed and 51,343 injure L Th's shows a large increase. and ro dway. This is an increase of 643 c:11stons and dera-Iments.

The casualties were an increase of 283 killed and of 5,306 jujured over the preceding year. Four hundred and twen'y of those killed were passengers and 3,367 railroad employees and ing to get what belonged to him. The of those injured 8,077 were passengers and 43,263 reflroad employees. Inriots which covers the case. Vann cluded in these figures are the statistics for the last three months of thirty days' jail sentence, which with the year, which shows a total of 077 killed and 11418 injured a decrease from the preceding quarter. These figures do not include casualties at highway crossings. The report says:

"As the ancilent bulletins are is sued to furnish the public with facts, this exhibit of the dangers of railroad trivol is an exhibit which the most conservative must agree abould be termed alarming, and will not be made the subject of comment in this place, but it will be proper to observe that each succeeding bulletin adds materially to the mass of evidence going on to enforce the observations and recommendations which were made in the last annual report of the commis-

DESTROYS "DUMMY" SYSTEM

Applicants for Civil Service Examinations Must Send Photograph

WASH NGTON: The cill service commission has issued an order that every applicant for a government position mu t attach his or her photograph to the examination papers. The photograph must not be more than three years old, and it must be accompenied by an official certificate that it is a good likene's. The pho ograth and samiles of the applicant's handwriting wi'l be sent for comparison to the effet of the divain to which he is assigned. The order followed the discovery that many applicents for civil service positions were employing "dummies" to take the examinations for them. The fact that m ny opp inte s were unable to h ld the positions assigned to them MUSKOGEE: The merchants and of this amount would mean soveral aroused suspicion, and the investiga-

STORK SOCIETY ORGANIZED

Women Have Incorporated as American-Birth Insurance Company

BOSTON: In order that amp'e preparations may be made for the visit of the stork in any household, prominent women of this city have represented the American Birth Insurance company. The president is Mrs. Estelle M. H Merri! of Boston, and the secretary and treesurer Miss Emma Minter. The members of the advisory board include Mary A. Live . m re and Dr. Agues C. Pettirson of Bos on.

The initiation fee is \$3, the annua! dies \$1 and there is a monthly assessuent of \$3. After the tenth payment if a living child is born the teenth, \$300; after the twenty-eighth. \$400, and after the thirty seventh. sighteen months must clapse between the birth of each child in any one

Sewer Contract Awarded

ANADARKO: The city council of Anadarko opened bids for the construction of a system of sanitary sewerage. There were eight bits, and the contract was awarded to Doyle & Schwartz of Colorado Springs, Colo., for \$19,120. Work is to be begun within thirty days.

WHERE IS THE MONEY

Superintendent Benedict to See What Becomes of School Funds

MUSKOCEE: The question of what becomes of the surplus mon y which is turned over to the government by R. P. Barrison, clirk of the watern district United States court, is the subject of some speculation here. The statute provides that after the c'erk of the court and his assistants draw their salaries out of the receipts from illing records, the su p'us shall go into the school fund in the district where the money was collected. J. D. Benedict, superintendent of schools in Indain Territory, says if any of this money has been turned into the school fund he has not seen it. He will have the matter investig ted, as he des res to use the money for rehoof purposes if he is a titled to it.

In eight months last year Mr. Harrisc, turned over \$11,000 in excess of the salary of himself and assistants. This year be will turn over about \$10,-It is estimated that at least \$75,000 will be paid to the government this year from the four distri ts.

Last winter congress appropriated \$100,000 for school purposes in Indian Territory and near'y 300 schools were established with it. If to fund recruing from the courts can be diverted to its proper clausel nearly as many more schools can be started and supplied with teachers next year.

HOLD "STOMP" DANCE

Creek Indians Entertain Their White Brothers With Weird Performances

MUEKOGEE: The full bleaf Indi na who are in Okmulges, attracted by the sessions of the Creek council and the loyal Creek payment, are amuting themselves in the evenines giving "stomp" dances in the ma'n business str et of the town, in front of the council hou e. They diane all night, and the weird in ant tions accompanied with the rattling of shells and the beating of drams and punctuated at intervals with a genuine warhoop, attract large grows of white pe pls. The full bloods at first were timid about giving thefe dances in the presence of so many wile prople, but a liberal collecton taken up in the crowl he'ged them to entirely overcome their diffidence.

A peculiar feature of the Creek dance is its striking similarity to dinces of all other tribes of Incians in America. No matter what di ferences there are between the various tribes the "stemp" dance, under various names, stems to be common to all. The words used in the rails, and the responses, outing the diner, cannot be translated into any of the Ind'an lenguages, but they are almost exactly alike in the dances of all the

ACROSS THE CONTINENT Syl Dixon's Wheat Train on Its Way to New York

ENID: Syl Dixon's famous advertising wheat train has left for a tour across the country, with final destination at New York city. The train was composed of twenty-five cars, decorated with banners and farm products. An exhibit car, loaded with samples of fruit, vego ables and grain, is part of the trie, and a sleeper carries a small army of adververtising men from the verious cities and towns represented. A blass band and a corps of are kers are to ente-tain the visitors who in pect the tr in.

The following places are represented on the tr in: E-il, Pawnee, Arapaho, Clinton, Thomas, Hobart, Anadarko, Alva, Cherokee, C rmen, Helena. Drummond Carrier, Garber, Kremlin, Hunter, Perry, Wkita, Lament, Bla kwell and Waukomis.

Hobart's commercial club is to be incorporated.